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Dear Chair DeFazio and Ranking Member Graves:

I am requesting funding for Columbia Road – I-90 Interchange in surface transportation reauthorization legislation.

The project sponsor for this project is the City of Westlake and the project is located at the Westbound portion of I-90 and State Route 252, also known as Columbia Road Westlake, Ohio 44145.

The funding is designated for moving the existing I-90 WB to SR 252 NB exit ramp, thus eliminating an intersection, and include it in the existing loop ramp. This would convert the interchange from a partial cloverleaf interchange with a public street on the entrance ramp terminal approach, to a modified partial cloverleaf with a free flow right turn loop ramp maintained from the existing configuration. Additional improvements include dual NB left turn lanes and a dedicated SB left turn lane to Sperry Drive.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer dollars and is anticipated to benefit drivers in the community. It will do so by improving traffic flow, increasing safety, and reducing the risk of collision. By reducing the local share to FHWA 20% minimum and filling the project gap with new federal funding, the City of Westlake will be able to reinvest local dollars into additional non-eligible FHWA transportation local projects.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely



Anthony Gonzalez
Member of Congress
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